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L.D. 929

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5	STATE OF MAINE
6	SENATE
7	127TH LEGISLATURE
8	FIRST REGULAR SESSION
9 10	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A" to S.P. 320, L.D. 929, Bill, "An Act Relative to the Escheat of United States Savings Bonds"
11 12 13	Amend the bill in section 5 in §1954-B in subsection 3 in the 4th line (page 2, line 31 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "less" and inserting the following: 'and may subtract'
14	SUMMARY
15 16 17 18 9	This amendment allows the Treasurer of State the option of subtracting any expenses and costs incurred by the State in securing full title and ownership of a United States savings bond escheated to the State from the amount paid by the Treasurer of State for a claim involving that bond instead of requiring the Treasurer of State to subtract those expenses and costs as proposed in the bill.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED (See attached)





127th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 929

LR 1002(03)

An Act Relative to the Escheat of United States Savings Bonds

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment '\(\mathbb{H}'\left(\mathscr{S}-1\mathscr{S}\) Committee: Judiciary Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Potential current biennium cost increase - Abandoned Property Fund Potential current biennium revenue increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill establishes a process for a United States savings bond to escheat to the State if it is unclaimed 3 years after its date of final maturity and the last known address of the owner is in this State. The Treasurer of State currently has \$170,000 in these bonds that could be eligible for escheatment and would need to bring a civil court action to have these bonds escheat to the State. If a judgment is received, and after any costs are reimbursed, funds would be deposited into the Abandoned Property Fund, then transferred to the General Fund in the annual end-of-the-fiscal-year transfer of amounts of unclaimed property received from all sources that is already required by current statute.